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GREENFIELD CONSERVATION COMMISSION MEETING

Tuesday, April 27, 2021 at 6:30 PM

Greenfield Department of Planning and Development

Remote Access Online: [HERE](#) or by Phone at [1-646-876-9923]

Meeting ID: [923 3243 3813] Password: [378 954]

(Contact the Conservation Agent for Assistance)

AGENDA

Pursuant to Governor Baker's March 12, 2020 Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A, §18, and the Governor's March 15, 2020 Order imposing strict limitation on the number of people that may gather in one place, this meeting of the Greenfield Conservation Commission will be conducted via remote participation to the greatest extent possible. Specific information and the general guidelines for remote participation by members of the public and/or parties with a right and/or requirement to attend this meeting can be found below. No in-person attendance of members of the public will be permitted, but every effort will be made to ensure that the public can adequately access the proceedings in real time, via technological means. In the event that we are unable to do so, despite best efforts, we will post on the City of Greenfield website an audio or video recording, transcript, or other comprehensive record of proceedings as soon as possible after the meeting.

Should any technical interruption to the meeting occur and the meeting is suddenly ended, it will not be resumed and all items will be automatically continued to the next scheduled meeting date. Contact the Conservation Agent for more information.

Administrative Matters

Meeting Access: **Remote Access Online:** <https://umass-amherst.zoom.us/j/92332433813?pwd=c3J5VlRRVlBlRHpuUVZ5d25JbEZudz09>
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- Call to Order
- Approval of Meeting Minutes: 4/13/2021

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Schedule of Public Meetings & Hearings

- **Public Hearing: (Continued from 4/13/2021) Notice of Intent: Slope Stability at Rear Linwood Street associated with Franklin County Fairgrounds; (Map: 33, Lot: 16C) DEP File # Not Yet Obtained.**

The Commission will review a Notice of Intent for slope repair for area where slope failure has already occurred and may continue. Plan created by the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service. Proposed disturbance to resource areas included Buffer Zone to Bordering Vegetated Wetlands, Bordering Vegetated Wetlands, and is proposed within the Greenfield Wetlands Protection Ordinance 25ft No Disturbance Zone.

- **Public Hearing: (Continued from 4/13/2021) Notice of Intent: Tree removal, invasive plant removal, and restoration planting at 225-245 Mohawk Trail ; (Map: 44 Lot: 4) DEP File #: 168-0339**

The Commission will review a Notice of Intent filed by Dwight Merriman of Big Y Foods, Inc with representative Anthony Wonseski Jr. P.E. of SVE Associates. Property owner listed as Robar, Inc. Applicant is seeking to cut approximately six (6) mature trees and leave stumps along a short segment of Wheeler Brook abutting the above-mentioned property and the Mohawk Trail property. Invasive plant eradication will also be performed to be replaced with lower growing native shrubbery. Impacts to resource areas include 11,616 square feet of 200ft River Front Area with 3,500 square feet of that disturbance within 100ft of the brook.

- **Public Hearing: Request for Amended Order of Conditions: Construction of new school building for the Greenfield Center School at 739 Bernardston Road, grading and drainage changes. (Map: R14 Lot: 46, 71) DEP File #: 168-0336**

The Commission will review a request for an Amended Order of Conditions filed by the Greenfield Center School with representative Rachel Loeffler R.L.A, A.S.L.A of The Berkshire Design Group. Applicant is seeking to change the grading and orientation of one of the drainage areas to provide more outdoor access for students.

- **Public Meeting: Request for Determination of Applicability: Verification of wetland boundaries for routine vegetation maintenance along PanAm Railways ; (Map: Various, Lot: Various)**

The Commission will review a Request for Determination of Applicability filed by PanAm Railways, Inc. with representative Keith Morris, Environmental Consultant. Applicant is seeking a determination of whether the boundaries of resource areas are accurately delineated for the sections of the railway within Greenfield for future herbicide treatment. No Map or Lot associated with the area.

- **Public Meeting: Request for Certificate of Compliance: Completed drainage structure at City easement of 28 Davenport Way; (Map: R40, Lot: 11) DEP File#: 168-0252**

The Commission will review a request for a Certificate of Compliance for Irina Vartanyan of 28 Davenport Way. The original Order of Conditions was issued to the City of Greenfield Department of Public Works on September 18th, 2007 for the installation of a drainage pipe associated with the stormwater structure on the the property and through a City Easement.

Enforcement Updates & Other Business

- Enforcement updates

- 21 Spring Terrace (Map 65-9) – unauthorized construction within Riverfront Area.
- 286 Plain Road (Map R34-10) – unauthorized construction within Riverfront Area.

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- 637 Colrain Road (Map R35-7) – unauthorized filling of wetlands.
- Old Wedgewood Gardens - Kimball Drive (Map 48-24) – unauthorized fill of Riverfront Area.
- 8 Conway Drive (Map 49-24) – unauthorized fill of Riverfront Area.

- 124 Briar Way request for Administrative Approval.
- Letter of Support for updated Open Space plan.
- Highland Pond possible project.
- MACC Conference Review.
- City Ordinance Review.

Project Monitoring & Site Visit Scheduling

- List of active Order of Conditions and updates.
 - 195 Mill Brook Road (DEP #: 168-0319, Exp. 9/22/2023) – Solar Project.
 - 739 Bernardston Road (DEP #: 168-0336, Exp. 2/11/2023) – Center School construction.
 - 125 Mohawk Trail (DEP #: 168-0323, Exp. 7/12/2021) – Hotel Construction.
 - 60 James Street (DEP #: 168-0337, Exp. 6/18/2023) – Single-family home.
 - Wisdom Way/River Street/Mill Street Intersection (DEP #: 168-0338, Exp. 10/27/2023) – Roadway improvements.

Set Next Meeting Date: Tuesday, May 11th, 2021 at 6:30 PM

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